

ABSTRACT

In an image forming system of the present invention, a master image forming apparatus determines, at the beginning of a joint copy job, whether or not a user stamp is registered at a slave image forming apparatus. If the user stamp is not registered at the slave image forming apparatus, the master image forming apparatus executes copying alone. Alternatively, the master image forming apparatus may send the user stamp to the slave image forming apparatus before the joint copy job. The system obviates erroneous copying in a joint copy mode and simply executes the joint copy mode even if the user stamp is not registered at the slave image forming apparatus.